1   CLAIM LISTING

2   1. through 23. (Canceled)

3   24.   (Previously Presented) A gaming method comprising the steps of:

4   providing a first progressive jackpot and a second progressive jackpot for a gaming

5   system;

6   receiving a wager in the gaming system;

7   providing a random gaming result in the gaming system;

8   paying the first progressive jackpot if the random gaming result is a winning progressive

9   jackpot result and if the wager is at least a first wager amount;

10   paying the second progressive jackpot if the random gaming result is the winning

11   progressive jackpot result and if the wager is at least a second wager amount, the second wager

12   amount being larger than the first wager amount;

13   increasing the first progressive jackpot in response to receiving the wager; and

14   increasing the second progressive jackpot in response to receiving the wager, wherein

15   the increase in the second progressive jackpot is larger than the increase in the first

16   progressive jackpot.

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18   25.   (Previously Presented) The method of claim 24, wherein increasing the first progressive

19   jackpot comprises increasing the first progressive jackpot by a first percentage of the

20   wager, and

21   wherein increasing the second progressive jackpot comprises increasing the second

22   progressive jackpot by a second percentage of the wager, the second percentage being larger

23   than the first percentage.

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1   26.   (Previously Presented) A gaming method further comprising:

2   providing a first progressive jackpot and a second progressive jackpot for a gaming

3 system;

4   receiving a wager in the gaming system;

5   providing a random gaming result in the gaming system;

6   paying the first progressive jackpot if the random gaming result is a winning progressive

7 jackpot result and if the wager is at least a first wager amount;

8   paying the second progressive jackpot if the random gaming result is the winning

9 progressive jackpot result and if the wager is at least a second wager amount, the second wager

10 amount being larger than the first wager amount; and

11   paying the first progressive jackpot and the second progressive jackpot if the random

12 gaming result is the winning progressive jackpot result and if the wager is at least the second

13 wager amount.

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15   27.   (Previously Presented) A gaming method comprising the steps of:

16   providing a first progressive jackpot and a second progressive jackpot for a gaming

17 system;

18   receiving a wager in the gaming system;

19   providing a random gaming result in the gaming system;

20   paying the first progressive jackpot if the random gaming result is a winning progressive

21 jackpot result and if the wager is at least a first wager amount;

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1   paying the second progressive jackpot if the random gaming result is the winning

2   progressive jackpot result and if the wager is at least a second wager amount, the second wager

3   amount being larger than the first wager amount;

4   resetting the first progressive jackpot to a first predetermined reset amount after

5   paying the first progressive jackpot, and resetting the second progressive jackpot to a second

6   predetermined reset amount after paying the second progressive jackpot; and

7   wherein the first and the second predetermined reset amounts are larger than zero.

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9   28.   (Previously Presented) The method of claim 27 wherein the second predetermined reset

10   amount is larger than the first predetermined reset amount.

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12   29.   (Previously Presented) A gaming method comprising the steps of:

13   providing a first progressive jackpot and a second progressive jackpot for a gaming

14   system;

15   receiving a wager in the gaming system;

16   providing a random gaming result in the gaming system;

17   paying the first progressive jackpot if the random gaming result is a winning progressive

18   jackpot result and if the wager is at least a first wager amount;

19   paying the second progressive jackpot if the random gaming result is the winning

20   progressive jackpot result and if the wager is at least a second wager amount, the second wager

21   amount being larger than the first wager amount; and

22   the gaming system comprises a single gaming machine.

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1   30.   (Previously Presented) A gaming method comprising the steps of:

2   providing a first progressive jackpot and a second progressive jackpot for a gaming

3   system;

4   receiving a wager in the gaming system;

5   providing a random gaming result in the gaming system;

6   paying the first progressive jackpot if the random gaming result is a winning progressive

7   jackpot result and if the wager is at least a first wager amount; and

8   paying the second progressive jackpot if the random gaming result is the winning

9   progressive jackpot result and if the wager is at least a second wager amount, the second wager

10   amount being larger than the first wager;

11   wherein the gaming system comprises a plurality of linked gaming machines;

12   wherein the first and the second progressive jackpots are common to all linked gaming

13   machines; and

14   wherein the first and the second progressive jackpots are increased in response to a wager

15   received by any unique linked gaming machine.

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1   31.   (Currently Amended) A gaming method comprising the steps of:

2   providing a first progressive jackpot and a second progressive jackpot for a gaming

3   system;

4   receiving a wager in the gaming system;

5   providing a random gaming result in the gaming system;

6   paying the first progressive jackpot if the random gaming result is a winning progressive

7   jackpot result and if the wager is at least a first wager amount; and

8   paying the second progressive jackpot if the random gaming result is the winning

9   progressive jackpot result and if the wager is at least a second wager amount, the second wager

10   amount being larger than the first wager amount;

11   wherein the wager activates a single [play line] payline for a gaming machine [receiving

12   the wager].

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14   32.   (Currently Amended) A gaming method comprising the steps of:

15   providing a first progressive jackpot and a second progressive jackpot for a gaming

16   system;

17   receiving a wager in the gaming system;

18   providing a random gaming result in the gaming system;

19   paying the first progressive jackpot if the random gaming result is a winning progressive

20   jackpot result and if the wager is at least a first wager amount; and

21   paying the second progressive jackpot if the random gaming result is the winning

22   progressive jackpot result and if the wager is at least a second wager amount, the second wager

23   amount being larger than the first wager amount;

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1   wherein the wager activates a plurality of [play lines] <u>paylines</u> for a gaming machine

2   [receiving the wager].

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4   33.   (Currently Amended) A gaming method comprising the steps of:

5   providing a first progressive jackpot and a second progressive jackpot for a gaming

6   system;

7   receiving a wager in the gaming system;

8   providing a random gaming result in the gaming system;

9   paying the first progressive jackpot if the random gaming result is a winning progressive

10   jackpot result and if the wager is at least a first wager amount; and

11   paying the second progressive jackpot if the random gaming result is the winning

12   progressive jackpot result and if the wager is at least a second wager amount, the second wager

13   amount being larger than the first wager amount;

14   wherein a number of [play lines] <u>paylines</u> activated by the second wager amount is

15   identical to a number of [play lines] <u>paylines</u> activated by the first wager amount.

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17   34.   (Currently Amended) A gaming method comprising the steps of:

18   providing a first progressive jackpot and a second progressive jackpot for a gaming

19   system;

20   receiving a wager in the gaming system;

21   providing a random gaming result in the gaming system;

22   paying the first progressive jackpot if the random gaming result is a winning progressive

23   jackpot result and if the wager is at least a first wager amount; and

1   paying the second progressive jackpot if the random gaming result is the winning

2 progressive jackpot result and if the wager is at least a second wager amount, the second wager

3 amount being larger than the first wager amount;

4   wherein a number of [play lines] paylines activated by the second wager amount is larger

5 than a number of [play lines] paylines activated by the first wager amount.

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7 35. through 70. (Canceled)

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9 71.   (Previously Presented). A gaming system comprising:

10   a gaming machine comprising a wager detector;

11   a first progressive jackpot associated with the gaming machine and a second progressive

12 jackpot associated with the gaming machine;

13   wherein the gaming system provides a random gaming result;

14   wherein the gaming system pays the first progressive jackpot if the random gaming result

15 is a winning progressive jackpot result and if a wager sensed by the detector is at least a first

16 wager amount;

17   wherein the gaming system pays the second progressive jackpot if the random gaming

18 result is a winning progressive jackpot result and if the wager sensed by the detector is at least a

19 second wager amount, the second wager amount being larger than the first wager amount; and

20   wherein in response to the detector receiving the wager, the gaming system increases the

21 first progressive jackpot and increases the second progressive jackpot, the increase in the second

22 progressive jackpot being larger than the increase in the first progressive jackpot.

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1   72.   (Previously Presented) The system of claim 71, wherein the gaming system increases the

2   first progressive jackpot by a first percentage of the wager, and wherein the gaming system

3   increases the second progressive jackpot by a second percentage of the wager, the second

4   percentage being larger than the first percentage.

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6   73.   (Previously Presented) A gaming system comprising:

7   a gaming machine comprising a wager detector;

8   a first progressive jackpot associated with the gaming machine and a second progressive

9   jackpot associated with the gaming machine;

10   wherein the gaming system provides a random gaming result;

11   wherein the gaming system pays the first progressive jackpot if the random gaming result

12   is a winning progressive jackpot result and if a wager sensed by the detector is at least a first

13   wager amount;

14   wherein the gaming system pays the second progressive jackpot if the random gaming

15   result is a winning progressive jackpot result and if the wager sensed by the detector is at least a

16   second wager amount, the second wager amount being larger than the first wager amount; and

17   wherein the gaming system pays the first progressive jackpot and the second progressive

18   jackpot if the random gaming result is the winning progressive jackpot result and if the wager is

19   at least the second wager amount.

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21   74.   (Previously Presented) A gaming system comprising:

22   a gaming machine comprising a wager detector;

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1   a first progressive jackpot associated with the gaming machine and a second progressive

2   jackpot associated with the gaming machine;

3   wherein the gaming system provides a random gaming result;

4   wherein the gaming system pays the first progressive jackpot if the random gaming result

5   is a winning progressive jackpot result and if a wager sensed by the detector is at least a first

6   wager amount;

7   wherein the gaming system pays the second progressive jackpot if the random gaming

8   result is a winning progressive jackpot result and if the wager sensed by the detector is at least a

9   second wager amount, the second wager amount being larger than the first wager amount;

10   wherein the gaming machine resets the first progressive jackpot to a first predetermined

11   reset amount after paying the first progressive jackpot, and resets the second progressive jackpot

12   to a second predetermined reset amount after paying the second progressive jackpot; and

13   wherein the first and the second predetermined reset amounts are larger than zero.

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15   75.   (Previously Presented) The system of claim 74, wherein the second predetermined reset

16   amount is larger than the first predetermined reset amount.

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18   76.   (Previously Presented) A gaming system comprising:

19   a gaming machine comprising a wager detector;

20   a first progressive jackpot associated with the gaming machine and a second progressive

21   jackpot associated with the gaming machine;

22   wherein the gaming system provides a random gaming result;

1   wherein the gaming system pays the first progressive jackpot if the random gaming result

2   is a winning progressive jackpot result and if a wager sensed by the detector is at least a first

3   wager amount;

4   wherein the gaming system pays the second progressive jackpot if the random gaming

5   result is a winning progressive jackpot result and if the wager sensed by the detector is at least a

6   second wager amount, the second wager amount being larger than the first wager amount; and

7   wherein the gaming system comprises a single gaming machine.

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9   77.   (Previously Presented) A gaming system comprising:

10   a gaming machine comprising a wager detector;

11   a first progressive jackpot associated with the gaming machine and a second progressive

12   jackpot associated with the gaming machine;

13   wherein the gaming system provides a random gaming result;

14   wherein the gaming system pays the first progressive jackpot if the random gaming result

15   is a winning progressive jackpot result and if a wager sensed by the detector is at least a first

16   wager amount;

17   wherein the gaming system pays the second progressive jackpot if the random gaming

18   result is a winning progressive jackpot result and if the wager sensed by the detector is at least a

19   second wager amount, the second wager amount being larger than the first wager amount;

20   wherein the gaming system comprises a plurality of linked gaming machines;

21   wherein the first and the second progressive jackpots are common to all linked gaming

22   machines; and

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1   wherein the first and the second progressive jackpots are increased in response to a wager

2   received by any unique linked gaming machine.

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4   78.   (Currently Amended) A gaming system comprising:

5   a gaming machine comprising a wager detector;

6   a first progressive jackpot associated with the gaming machine and a second progressive

7   jackpot associated with the gaming machine;

8   wherein the gaming system provides a random gaming result;

9   wherein the gaming system pays the first progressive jackpot if the random gaming result

10   is a winning progressive jackpot result and if a wager sensed by the detector is at least a first

11   wager amount;

12   wherein the gaming system pays the second progressive jackpot if the random gaming

13   result is a winning progressive jackpot result and if the wager sensed by the detector is at least a

14   second wager amount, the second wager amount being larger than the first wager amount; and

15   wherein the wager activates a single [play line] payline for [[a]] the gaming machine

16   [receiving the wager].

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18   79.   (Currently Amended) A gaming system comprising:

19   a gaming machine comprising a wager detector;

20   a first progressive jackpot associated with the gaming machine and a second progressive

21   jackpot associated with the gaming machine;

22   wherein the gaming system provides a random gaming result;

1   wherein the gaming system pays the first progressive jackpot if the random gaming result

2   is a winning progressive jackpot result and if a wager sensed by the detector is at least a first

3   wager amount;

4   wherein the gaming system pays the second progressive jackpot if the random gaming

5   result is a winning progressive jackpot result and if the wager sensed by the detector is at least a

6   second wager amount, the second wager amount being larger than the first wager amount; and

7   wherein the wager activates a plurality of [play lines] paylines for [[a]] the gaming

8   machine [receiving the wager].

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10   80.   (Currently Amended) A gaming system comprising:

11   a gaming machine comprising a wager detector;

12   a first progressive jackpot associated with the gaming machine and a second progressive

13   jackpot associated with the gaming machine;

14   wherein the gaming system provides a random gaming result;

15   wherein the gaming system pays the first progressive jackpot if the random gaming result

16   is a winning progressive jackpot result and if a wager sensed by the detector is at least a first

17   wager amount;

18   wherein the gaming system pays the second progressive jackpot if the random gaming

19   result is a winning progressive jackpot result and if the wager sensed by the detector is at least a

20   second wager amount, the second wager amount being larger than the first wager amount; and

21   wherein a number of [play lines] paylines activated by the second wager amount is

22   identical to a number of [play lines] paylines activated by the first wager amount.

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1   81.   (Currently Amended) A gaming system comprising:

2   a gaming machine comprising a wager detector;

3   a first progressive jackpot associated with the gaming machine and a second progressive

4   jackpot associated with the gaming machine;

5   wherein the gaming system provides a random gaming result;

6   wherein the gaming system pays the first progressive jackpot if the random gaming result

7   is a winning progressive jackpot result and if a wager sensed by the detector is at least a first

8   wager amount;

9   wherein the gaming system pays the second progressive jackpot if the random gaming

10   result is a winning progressive jackpot result and if the wager sensed by the detector is at least a

11   second wager amount, the second wager amount being larger than the first wager amount; and

12   wherein a number of [play lines] paylines activated by the second wager amount is larger

13   than a number of [play lines] paylines activated by the first wager amount.

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15   82.   (Previously Presented) A gaming system comprising:

16   a gaming machine comprising a wager detector;

17   a first progressive jackpot associated with the gaming machine and a second progressive

18   jackpot associated with the gaming machine;

19   wherein the gaming system provides a random gaming result; and

20   wherein the gaming system pays the largest of either the first progressive jackpot or the

21   second progressive jackpot if the random gaming result is a winning progressive jackpot result.

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1   83.   (Currently Amended) The system of claim 82, wherein in response to the detector

2   receiving a wager, the gaming system increases [[a]] the first progressive jackpot and increases

3   [[a]] the second progressive jackpot, wherein the increase in the second progressive jackpot is

4   larger than the increase in the first progressive jackpot.

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6   84.   (Previously Presented) The system of claim 82, wherein the gaming system increases the

7   first progressive jackpot by a first percentage of the wager, and wherein the gaming system

8   increases the second progressive jackpot by a second percentage of the wager, the second

9   percentage being larger than the first percentage.

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11   85.   (Previously Presented) The system of claim 82:

12   wherein the gaming system resets the first progressive jackpot to a first predetermined

13   reset amount after paying the first progressive jackpot, and resets the second progressive jackpot

14   to a second predetermined reset amount after paying the second progressive jackpot; and

15   wherein the first and the second predetermined reset amounts are larger than zero.

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17   86.   (Previously Presented) The system of claim 85, wherein the second predetermined reset

18   amount is larger than the first predetermined reset amount.

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20   87.   (Previously Presented) The system of claim 82, wherein the gaming system comprises a

21   single gaming machine.

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23   88.   (Previously Presented) The system of claim 82:

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1   wherein the gaming system comprises a plurality of linked gaming machines;

2   wherein the first and the second progressive jackpots are common to all linked gaming

3   machines; and

4   wherein the first and the second progressive jackpots are increased in response to a wager

5   received by any unique linked gaming machine.

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7   89.   (Currently Amended) The system of claim 82, wherein a wager sensed by the detector

8   activates a single [play line for a] payline for the gaming machine [receiving the wager].

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10   90.   (Currently Amended) The system of claim 82, wherein a wager sensed by the detector

11   activates a plurality of [play lines for a] paylines for the gaming machine [receiving the wager].

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13   91.   (Currently Amended) The system of claim 82, wherein a number of [play lines] paylines

14   activated by a second wager amount is identical to a number of [play lines] paylines activated by

15   a first wager amount, the second wager amount being larger than the first wager amount.

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17   92.   (Currently Amended) The system of claim 82, wherein a number of [play lines] paylines

18   activated by a second wager amount is larger than a number of [play lines] paylines activated by

19   a first wager amount, the second wager amount being larger than the first wager amount.

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21   93.   (Previously Presented) A gaming method comprising the steps of:

22   providing a first progressive jackpot and a second progressive jackpot for a gaming

23   system;

1   receiving a wager in the gaming system;

2   providing a random gaming result in the gaming system; and

3   paying the largest of either the first progressive jackpot or the second progressive jackpot

4   if the random gaming result is a winning progressive jackpot result.

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6   94.   (Previously Presented) The gaming method of claim 93 further comprising the steps of:

7   increasing the first progressive jackpot in response to receiving the wager; and

8   increasing the second progressive jackpot in response to receiving the wager, wherein the

9   increase in the second progressive jackpot is larger than the increase in the first progressive

10 jackpot.

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12 95.   (Previously Presented) The gaming method of claim 94, wherein increasing the first

13 progressive jackpot comprises increasing the first progressive jackpot by a first percentage of the

14 wager, and wherein increasing the second progressive jackpot comprises increasing the second

15 progressive jackpot by a second percentage of the wager, the second percentage being larger than

16 the first percentage.

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18 96.   (Previously Presented) The gaming method of claim 93, further comprising resetting the

19 first progressive jackpot to a first predetermined reset amount after paying the first progressive

20 jackpot, and resetting the second progressive jackpot to a second predetermined reset amount

21 after paying the second progressive jackpot; wherein the first and the second predetermined reset

22 amounts are larger than zero.

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1   97.   (Previously Presented) The method of claim 96, wherein the second predetermined reset

2   amount is larger than the first predetermined reset amount.

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4   98.   (Previously Presented) The gaming method of claim 93, wherein the gaming system

5   comprises a single gaming machine.

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7   99.   (Previously Presented) The gaming method of claim 93 wherein the gaming system

8   comprises a plurality of linked gaming machines;

9   wherein the first and the second progressive jackpots are common to all linked gaming

10   machines; and

11   wherein the first and the second progressive jackpots are increased in response to a wager

12   received by any unique linked gaming machine.

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14   100.   (Currently Amended) The gaming method of claim 93, wherein the wager activates a

15   single [play line] payline for a gaming machine [receiving the wager].

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17   101.   (Currently Amended) The gaming method of claim 93, wherein the wager activates a

18   plurality of [play lines] paylines for the gaming machine [receiving the wager].

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20   102.   (Currently Amended) The gaming method of claim 93, wherein a number of [play lines]

21   paylines activated by a second wager amount is identical to a number of [play lines] paylines

22   activated by a first wager amount, the second wager amount being larger than the first wager

23   amount.

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1   103.   (Currently Amended) The gaming method of claim 93, wherein a number of [play lines]

2   paylines activated by a second wager amount is larger than a number of [play lines] paylines

3   activated by a first wager amount, the second wager amount being larger than the first wager

4   amount.